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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

ATTENTION:

FROM:

Chief, Security Analysis Group

SUBJECT:

Pending Requests (U)

REFERENCES:

- A. OGC letter (OGC 79-07451) dated 13 Aug 1979 to Mr. Joseph F. Lynch, Office of Special Investigations regarding Tscherim Soobsokov
- B. DDO memorandum (Chief/IMS/FOIA, Privacy and Litigation Group) dated 23 July 1979, subject: I&NS Request for Information on Alleged Vietnamese War Criminals

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1. Reference A, in part, advised the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), Department of Justice (DOJ) that a sanitized copy of an Office of Security report dated 14 December 1959 pertaining to Mr. Soobsokov was available for review at their convenience. To date, the OSI has shown no further interest in reviewing this document. (U)

2. Reference B addresses an Immigration and Naturalization Service (I&NS) request concerning the location of three alleged former CIA employees and their availability for interviews with I&NS concerning their awareness of the alleged war crimes mentioned in the New Times magazine article dated 30 May 1975 entitled "A Rogues' Gallery of Refugees." On 9 August 1979 you were telephonically advised that the Office of Security wished to have an officer present during these interviews. We have not received any further word as to when, or for that matter, if, these interviews are to take place. (C)

3. In order that we might update our records, it would be appreciated if you would determine the status of the aforementioned requests. (U)

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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13 August 1979

Mr. Joseph F. Lynch, Esquire  
Office of Special Investigations  
Criminal Division, U.S. Department  
of Justice  
1375 K Street, Second Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Re: Tscherim Soobsokov

Dear Mr. Lynch:

In your letter of 3 July 1979 you requested copies of Agency documents on Tscherim Soobsokov. More particularly, you asked for copies of pages 1 through 9, 15 and 16 of the "Biography of Emigrant" dated October 1959, and paragraphs 3 through 6 of the "Interrogation Report" dated 23 February 1956. These documents are attached for your review, and should be returned when no longer needed. Any use of this information for other than background purposes should be coordinated with this Office.

You also requested access to an Office of Security report dated 14 December 1959, pertaining to Mr. Soobsokov. We have coordinated that request with the Office of Security, and a sanitized copy will be provided for your review. Please advise me when it would be convenient for you to drop by to examine the file, and we will arrange to have an Office of Security representative present to answer any questions that might arise.

Sincerely,

Enclosures (2)

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23 July 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of General Counsel

FROM: ☐ Chief, IMS/FOIA, Privacy and Litigation Group

SUBJECT: I&NS Request for Information on Alleged Vietnamese War Criminals

REFERENCES: (a) I&NS letter, undated  
(b) FPLG memorandum, 5 July 1979

1. Reference is made to the specific portion of the request from the Immigration and Naturalization Service (I&NS), reference (a), concerning the location of three alleged former CIA employees and their availability for interviews with a member of the I&NS concerning their awareness of the alleged war crimes mentioned in the New Times magazine article dated 30 May 1975 "A Rogues' Gallery of Refugees."

2. We are advised by the Central Cover Staff and the Office of Personnel of the following:

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3. It should be noted that all three officers, if they were recipients of CIA information on sources and methods, should receive the courtesy of being briefed on the I&NS request

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before I&NS is put in contact with them, and all three should be advised that the Operations Directorate is prepared to provide them with an officer who will accompany them at the interview should the propriety of any questions arise as to classified information or the protection of sources or methods not consistent with the secrecy oath which all three individuals subscribe to.

4. It is suggested that the Office of General Counsel contact the Office of Logistics to determine the availability and the desire of [ ] to speak with the I&NS. It is suggested that contact be made with I&NS to point out to them that requests of this kind, particularly as they identify CIA employees, should be classified at the Confidential level and that negotiations be undertaken to arrange for I&NS contact if still required.

5. Please keep the undersigned advised on what actions you are taking in this connection.

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